

**System and Method for Controlling
Invalid Password Attempts**

ABSTRACT

5 A system and method for controlling invalid password
attempts in a multiple replica computer system environment
is presented. A centralized strikeout server receives
failed login attempts from the multiple replica servers
over a secure sockets layer (SSL) connection. The
centralized strikeout server tracks the number of failed
10 login attempts over a configurable login tracking period.
If the number of failed login attempts exceeds the number
of failed login attempts allowed, the centralized server
revokes the password corresponding to the user id which
exceeded the number of failed login attempts allowed.
15 Password revocation message are sent to one or more login
servers. Cleanup processing removes older failed login
attempts that occurred outside the login tracking period.
Digital signatures, or certificates, are used to
authenticate computer systems to one another.

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